



## Thirty-First United States Department of Defense Explosives Safety Seminar

### CALL FOR PAPERS & EXHIBITORS

The Thirty-First U.S. Department of Defense Explosives Safety Seminar will be held 24-26 August 2004 at the San Antonio Marriott Rivercenter Hotel at 101 Bowie Street, San Antonio, Texas. Technical sessions will provide opportunities for the presentation of papers related to explosives safety matters (see list of sample subject areas of interest). Anyone desiring to present a paper is requested to submit an abstract by **17 February 2004** and follow the additional instructions below to be considered for inclusion in the seminar program. Local reproduction and distribution of this Call for Papers & Exhibitors is greatly encouraged and appreciated. This call is also posted on the Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board (DDESB) website (<http://www.ddesb.pentagon.mil/>).

We also invite you to exhibit your explosives safety products, services, or technologies to our diverse and uniquely talented attendees. This seminar is the premier explosives safety event in the world that biennially brings together prominent military, industry, and international experts from the explosives safety community. The seminar program will definitely allow attendees ample time and opportunity to network and discuss your exhibits. An exhibitor fee of approximately \$650 is projected. That fee will cover registration for one individual (when multiple individuals are associated with a single exhibit, each person must register for the seminar) plus a 10 by 10-foot display area for your exhibit during the three-day seminar. Additional requirements such as electrical needs, etc., must be individually contracted. If you're interested in exhibiting, please submit your request by **17 February 2004** and follow the additional instructions below. You may choose to do both a paper presentation and an exhibit on your accomplishments, experiences, products, services, or technologies.

For preliminary budgeting purposes, a seminar registration fee of about \$270 per attendee is projected. The current U.S. Government per diem rate for the San Antonio area is \$138. The San Antonio Marriott Rivercenter Hotel will offer accommodations to seminar attendees at the prevailing U.S. Government lodging per diem rate (currently \$91 a night, single or double) plus tax (currently 16.75%). Additional hotel information is available through the Marriott Hotels and Resorts website (<http://www.marriott.com/SATRC>).

The presentation of your explosives safety experiences, research, accomplishments, products, and services is very important. Sharing knowledge with our peers is fundamental to the success of this seminar. Please mark your calendars now and submit your abstracts on time. And encourage your associates to do so as well. Periodically check the DDESB website for seminar information updates. We expect to distribute the seminar invitation including our preliminary program and hotel reservation information in April 2004. The DDESB point of contact for the 31<sup>st</sup> DoD Explosives Safety Seminar is Mr. Brent E. Knoblett, telephone: DSN 221-1375, commercial (703) 325-1375, fax (703) 325-6227; or E-mail: [Brent.Knoblett@ddesb.osd.mil](mailto:Brent.Knoblett@ddesb.osd.mil).

## SAMPLE SUBJECT AREAS OF INTEREST

- Accidents
- Airblast
- Chemical Weapons Disposal
- Debris/Fragments
- Demilitarization and Disposal
- Explosion Containment Testing
- Explosion Effects Testing
- Explosion Hazard Assessment Models
- Explosives Safety in Contingency and Combat Operations
- Explosives Safety Program Management
- Explosives Safety Siting
- Hazard Classification
- Insensitive Munitions
- International Standardization and Cooperation
- Lightning Protection
- Munitions Response
- Personnel Protection Design and Hazards Analysis
- Risk Analysis/Assessment/Management
- Structural Design and Response
- Thermal Effects

## SUBMITTING ABSTRACTS, PAPERS & PRESENTATIONS

Submitting an abstract means you agree to complete a final paper for publication and to attend the seminar to present the information in your paper to the attendees in either a technical session or poster presentation format. **Abstracts, papers and presentations must be UNCLASSIFIED/UNLIMITED: DoD distribution statement A: “Approved for public release; distribution is unlimited.” Responsibility for unclassified/unlimited release rests with the originator(s).** Open dissemination of seminar material is planned, including distribution to seminar attendees on CD-ROM.

### **ABSTRACTS**

Abstracts should be submitted in electronic format by **17 February 2004**. E-mail transmission to **DDESB\_seminar@jhu.edu** is the preferred method for submitting abstracts. For those unable to submit an E-mail, a facsimile copy can be submitted to (410) 730-4969, Attn: Ms. Dottie Becker. Abstracts should be limited to 300 words. A limited number of 20-minute technical presentation session slots are available, so be persuasive. Abstract submittals must be created in Microsoft Word or Corel WordPerfect (for Windows or Mac) and should follow the following layout format:

## **TITLE OF PAPER IN ALL CAPITAL LETTERS USING A BOLD 14 POINT ARIAL FONT¶**

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*Presenter: Name, Organization, Complete Mailing Address, phone, fax, E-mail address (no hyperlink) in italic 12 point Times New Roman font¶*

(12 point single space)¶

*Co-Author(s): Name, Organization, Complete Mailing Address, phone, fax, E-mail address (no hyperlink) in italic 12 point Times New Roman font¶*

(12 point double space)¶

Text of your abstract in 12 point Times New Roman font; no indentation for paragraphs; double space between paragraphs.¶

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Full justification should be used for the whole document. Below the abstract, a brief presenter biography should be provided.

## **PAPERS & PRESENTATIONS**

Papers **AND** presentations **MUST** be submitted in electronic format by **9 AUGUST 2004** to be publicly shared during a seminar session—**NO EXCEPTIONS!** Microsoft Word or Corel WordPerfect (for Windows or Mac) must be used for papers. All figures, tables, and other images must be embedded in the document—no Windows paste-ups. Tables should be included as Word or WordPerfect tables. Document files should be compressed, if necessary, using PKZip or WINZIP, and saved to a DOS- or MAC-formatted 3.5-inch floppy disk, a 120 MB floppy disk, an Iomega Zip disk, or a CD in Word, WordPerfect, Postscript, or Adobe Acrobat Portable Document Format (V3.0 or later). Disks and CDs should be labeled with an abbreviated paper title and the presenter's name, and forwarded to the address below. Disks and CDs will not be returned.

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## **ASSISTANCE**

Contact Ms. Dottie Becker at (410) 992-7302, extension 204 for further instructions or help.

## **EXHIBITOR REQUESTS**

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